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SUBJECT: ICRC PROGRAMS IN PAKISTAN

REF: A. GENEVA 42641 B. ISLAMABAD 6037

1. WE BELIEVE THAT ICRC/GENEVA REQUEST "TO OFFICE OF
REFUGEE PROGRAMS FOR FUNDS TO SUPPORT MEDICAL PROGRAMS
FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES IN NWFP" (CITED REF B) IS THE JOINT
ICRC/LICROSS APPEAL FOR \$2,523,950, THE TEXT OF WHICH WAS
TRANSMITTED REF A. THIS APPEAL INCLUDES FUNDING TO
CONTINUE OPERATING FOUR MOBILE MEDICAL TEAMS AND TO
EXTEND ITS MEDICAL PROGRAM AS REQUESTED BY THE GOP.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE ICRC/LICROSS ACTIVITIES IN
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PAKISTAN ARE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE.GENE DENEY AND CDC DR.

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SERDULA GAVE THE MEDICAL TEAMS PARTICULARLY HIGH MARKS FOR THEIR INNOVATIVE PERFORMANCE WHICH SET STANDARDS FOR OTHER VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. THEREFORE, WHEN REPROGRAMMING FUNDS FOR UNHCR SPECIAL APPEAL (DETAILS SEPTEL) WE ARE ALSO PLANNING TO INCLUDE \$1 MILLION TO RESPOND TO ICRC. AS SUGGESTED ISLAMABAD 4024, SOME PART OF ICRC'S COSTS MIGHT CONCEIVABLY BE FUNDED FROM USG-OWNED PAKISTANI RUPEES, ONCE THOSE BECOME AVAILABLE. BUT, NO DOUBT LICROSS, UNHCR AND VOLUNTARY AGENCY NEEDS COULD ALSO

EASILY ABSORB THE ENTIRE \$4.8 MILLION WORTH OF RUPEES. IN THIS CONTEXT, WOULD WELCOME ANY VIEWS EMBASSY MIGHT HAVE ON OUR PROPOSAL TO REPROGRAM \$1 MILLION FOR ICRC.

3. FOR GENEVA: THE "JOINT" APPEAL APPARENTLY INCLUDED ONLY ICRC PROGRAMS. DOES LICROSS INTEND TO FORWARD A REQUEST FOR FUNDING OF ITS PAKISTAN PROGRAMS SEPARATELY?
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